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LETTER DATED 15 MAY 1992 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have recently been informed by the Chief of Mission of ONUSAL that, based on recent experience in verifying the relevant provisions of the Peace Agreement and in the expectation that the Military Division of ONUSAL will soon be required to monitor additional activities foreseen under the Agreement, the Chief Military Observer of ONUSAL has come to the conclusion that, for these tasks to be completed, it will be necessary to maintain temporarily the strength of the Military Division, which currently stands at 290 military observers. Under the original plan, the strength of the Division was to have been reduced after 1 June 1992.

For these reasons, I endorse the recommendation of the Chief Military Observer, conveyed to me by the Chief of Mission, to extend for a three-month period, i.e., until 1 September 1992, the services of 39 military observers who are presently due to leave the Mission on 1 June 1992.

Every attempt will be made to absorb the additional resources required for these extra personnel within the appropriations made available by the General Assembly for ONUSAL. Should this not be possible, the additional requirements will be reported to the General Assembly.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Boutros BOUTROS-GHALI

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